



County of Rockbridge

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Regional Fire-Rescue Commission April 21, 2020 Minutes

Commission Members Present: Nathan Ramsey – Rockbridge County, Robert Hickman – RERG, Steve Reese – RERG, Jerry Wilson – RCFA, Ty Dickerson – Lexington, Ted Duke – Citizen

Members of Public: Kathleen Beverly – BVRS, Leslie Ayers – BOS, Colby Irvine – WCFD, Joliet Williams – GLSFAC. *Please note: the meeting was held via Zoom.*

The January meeting was called to order at 19:15 by Chief Ramsey.

Approval of the Minutes: A motion to accept the March 17, 2020 minutes was made by Steve Reese and 2nd Robert Hickman.

Chair Report: Not present.

Committee Reports:

- **F/R ECC Subcommittee** – Meeting held just prior to Commission meeting. Discussed:
 - Test Call Procedure/Marker Tone SOG. Still in draft form, going to L/E Subcommittee
 - Nothing new on Raphine are study.
 - Steve Reese made a request for an addition to the 911 Center's COVID-19 screening process. Which is: if able, to have patient meet EMS outside.
 - Discussed the EMS calls that requires an LZ, should this be an additional incident or continued as the same with just a change in location. Director Berry will test incidents in the CAD and report back.
 - We have been experiencing issues with text and active911 being sent when multiple companies are dispatched. Lindsay is working on that.
 - Dave asked the subcommittee to support a future request for a capital improvement plan for the radio system.

Old Business:

- There is a public hearing scheduled on Monday April 27th to address concerns and potential code amendments, amendments explained.
- No changes to F/R FY21 Budget

New Business:

Chief Ramsey gave a report on the COVID-19 response and encouraged everyone to attend weekly updates held on Zoom.